

pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998; to the Committee on Government Reform.

6762. A letter from the Office of Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Shallow-Water Species Fishery by Vessels Using Trawl Gear in the Gulf of Alaska [Docket No. 041126333-5040-02; I.D. 022406B] received March 22, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

6763. A letter from the Alternate Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting the Department's final rule—Clarification of Filing Date Requirements for Ex Parte and Inter Partes Reexamination Proceedings [Docket No.: PTO-P-2006-0007] (RIN: 0651-AC02) received February 28, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

6764. A letter from the Acting Director, FEMA, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting notification that funding under Title V, subsection 503(b)(3) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended, has exceeded \$5 million for the response to the emergency declared as a result the influx of evacuees from areas struck by Hurricane Katrina beginning on August 29, 2005 in the State of Oklahoma, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5193; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

6765. A letter from the Acting Assistant to the Secretary for Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's final rule—Eligibility for Health Care Benefits for Certain Filipino Veterans in the United States (RIN: 2900-AM03) received February 13, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

6766. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—2006 Calendar Year Resident Population Estimates [Notice 2006-22] received March 16, 2006, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

6767. A letter from the Inspector General, Railroad Retirement Board, transmitting the Board's budget justification for the Office of Inspector General for fiscal year 2007, prepared in compliance with Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular No. A-11; jointly to the Committees on Appropriations, Transportation and Infrastructure, and Ways and Means.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

[Omitted from the Record of March 16, 2006]

Mr. BARTON of Texas: Committee on Energy and Commerce. H.R. 4943. A bill to prohibit fraudulent access to telephone records (Rept. 109-398). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

[Filed on March 28, 2006]

Mr. BISHOP of Utah: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 741. Resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 609) to amend and extend the Higher Education Act of 1965 (Rept. 109-399). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mr. POMBO: Committee on Resources. H.R. 4882. A bill to ensure the proper remembrance of Vietnam veterans and the Vietnam War by providing a deadline for the designation of a visitor center for the Vietnam Vet-

erans Memorial (Rept. 109-400). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 3127. Referral to the Committee on the Judiciary extended for a period ending not later than March 29, 2006.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. JINDAL:

H.R. 5013. A bill to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to prohibit the confiscation of firearms during certain national emergencies; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. SCHIFF (for himself and Mrs. BIGGERT):

H.R. 5014. A bill to provide for fairness for the Federal judiciary; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BAIRD (for himself and Ms. SLAUGHTER):

H.R. 5015. A bill to prohibit securities trading based on nonpublic information relating to Congress, and to require additional reporting by Members and employees of Congress of securities transaction, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on House Administration, the Judiciary, and Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. KOLBE:

H.R. 5016. A bill to provide for the exchange of certain Bureau of Land Management land in Pima County, Arizona, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. SHAYS (for himself and Mrs. MALONEY):

H.R. 5017. A bill to ensure the implementation of the recommendations of the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States; to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committees on Intelligence (Permanent Select), Government Reform, Armed Services, the Judiciary, International Relations, Financial Services, Transportation and Infrastructure, Rules, Energy and Commerce, Ways and Means, and the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. POMBO (for himself, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, and Mr. YOUNG of Alaska):

H.R. 5018. A bill to reauthorize the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. WALDEN of Oregon:

H.R. 5019. A bill to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to participate in the rehabilitation of the Wallowa Lake Dam in Oregon, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. HOEKSTRA:

H.R. 5020. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Man-

agement Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Intelligence (Permanent Select).

By Ms. BERKLEY:

H.R. 5021. A bill to amend the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000 to provide for certain nuclear weapons program workers to be included in the Special Exposure Cohort under the compensation program established by that Act; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself, Mr. LEACH, Mrs. WILSON of New Mexico, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Ms. LEE, Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. HONDA, Mr. MCNULTY, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. McDERMOTT, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. WAXMAN, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. INSLEE, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. ANDREWS, and Mr. HOLT):

H.R. 5022. A bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide increased assistance for the prevention, treatment, and control of tuberculosis, and for other purposes; to the Committee on International Relations, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mrs. CHRISTENSEN (for herself, Mr. JEFFERSON, Ms. NORTON, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. OWENS, Ms. LEE, Ms. SOLIS, Mr. HONDA, Mr. MEEKS of New York, and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia):

H.R. 5023. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to repeal the amendments made by the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 requiring documentation evidencing citizenship or nationality as a condition for receipt of medical assistance under the Medicaid Program; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. DAVIS of Kentucky (for himself, Mr. SCOTT of Georgia, and Mr. ISRAEL):

H.R. 5024. A bill to require annual oral testimony before the Financial Services Committee of the Chairperson or a designee of the Chairperson of the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Financial Accounting Standards Board, and the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board, relating to their efforts to promote transparency in financial reporting; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. WALDEN of Oregon (for himself, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. HOOLEY, and Mr. DEFAZIO):

H.R. 5025. A bill to protect for future generations the recreational opportunities, forests, timber, clean water, wilderness and scenic values, and diverse habitat of Mount Hood National Forest, Oregon, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. FORTUÑO:

H.R. 5026. A bill to designate the Investigations Building of the Food and Drug Administration located at 466 Fernandez Juncos Avenue in San Juan, Puerto Rico, as the "Andres Toro Building"; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. JINDAL:

H.R. 5027. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit against tax proportional to the number of million British thermal units of natural gas produced by a high Btu fuel facility; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. LINDER (for himself, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. MCCAUL of Texas, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. SIMMONS, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. DICKS, Mr. DENT, and Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas):

H.R. 5028. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve and expedite the assessment and determination of chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear material threats by the Secretary of Homeland Security under the Project BioShield program; to the Committee on Homeland Security, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. LINDER (for himself, Mr. LANGEVIN, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. MCCAUL of Texas, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. SIMMONS, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mr. DICKS, Mr. DENT, Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California, and Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas):

H.R. 5029. A bill to establish in the Department of Homeland Security a Domestic Nuclear Detection Office to improve the ability of the United States to detect and prevent acts of nuclear and radiological terrorism and to enhance coordination of such efforts across Federal agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security.

By Mrs. MILLER of Michigan:

H.R. 5030. A bill to amend the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990 to establish vessel ballast water management requirements, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. MOLLOHAN:

H.R. 5031. A bill to extend Corridor O of the Appalachian Development Highway System from its current southern terminus at I-68 near Cumberland to Corridor H, which stretches from Weston, West Virginia, to Strasburg, Virginia; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Mr. NEY (for himself, Mr. McNULTY, and Mr. CROWLEY):

H.R. 5032. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the income tax forgiveness for members of the Armed Forces who die as a result of wounds, disease, or injury incurred while serving in a combat zone to include forgiveness for the last taxable year ending before the wounds, disease, or injury are incurred; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. ROTHMAN:

H.R. 5033. A bill to permit access to certain information in the Firearms Trace System database; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SANDERS:

H.R. 5034. A bill to redesignate the White Rocks National Recreation Area in the State of Vermont as the "Robert T. Stafford White Rocks National Recreation Area"; to the Committee on Resources.

By Mr. SERRANO:

H.R. 5035. A bill to provide discretionary authority to an immigration judge to determine that an alien parent of a United States citizen child should not be ordered removed

from the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KENNEDY of Minnesota (for himself, Mr. CARDOZA, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, and Mr. GRIJALVA):

H. Con. Res. 365. Concurrent resolution urging the Government of China to reinstate all licenses of Gao Zhisheng and his law firm, remove all legal and political obstacles for lawyers attempting to defend criminal cases in China, including politically sensitive cases, and revise law and practice in China so that it conforms to international standards; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. PENCE (for himself, Mr. HYDE, Mr. LANTOS, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. ANDREWS, and Mr. FITZPATRICK of Pennsylvania):

H. Res. 736. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that legal action in Afghanistan against citizens who have already converted or plan to convert to other religions is deplorable and unjust; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mrs. BIGGERT (for herself, Mr. HINOJOSA, Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. BASS, Mr. DREIER, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Ms. LEE, Mrs. MCCARTHY, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. POMEROY, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. HENSARLING, Mr. FEENEY, Mrs. JOHNSON of Connecticut, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. GUTKNECHT, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. EHLERS, Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey, Mr. FITZPATRICK of Pennsylvania, Mr. HOLT, Mr. OWENS, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. BAKER, Mr. REICHERT, Ms. MILLENDER-MCDONALD, Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia, Ms. HARRIS, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Mr. GILCHREST, Mr. TIBERI, Mr. FORD, Mr. SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. OXLEY, Mr. GILLMOR, Mr. HONDA, Mr. BACHUS, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Ms. MATSUI, Mr. CASTLE, Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois, Mr. LATOURETTE, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Ms. HOOLEY, Mr. MOORE of Kansas, Ms. BEAN, Ms. WATERS, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. CLAY, Mr. NEY, Mr. BACA, Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGREN of California, Mr. RYUN of Kansas, Mr. CAMPBELL of California, Mr. LYNCH, Mr. DENT, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Mr. KANJORSKI, and Mr. ISRAEL):

H. Res. 737. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Financial Literacy Month, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Ms. NORTON (for herself and Mr. CARDIN):

H. Res. 738. A resolution congratulating Jason Kamras for his exceptional dedication to the students of John Philip Sousa Middle School in Washington, D.C., resulting in his selection as National Teacher of the Year, 2005092006, in recognition of his work; to the Committee on Government Reform.

By Mr. SHAW:

H. Res. 739. A resolution expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the President should declare lung cancer a public health priority and should implement a comprehensive inter-agency program that will reduce lung cancer mortality by at least 50 percent by 2015; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. SMITH of New Jersey (for himself, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. PALLONE, Mr. PASCRELL, Mr. CROWLEY, Mrs. MCCARTHY, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. SWEENEY, Mr. WALSH, Mr. McNULTY, and Mr. ENGEL):

H. Res. 740. A resolution calling on the Government of the United Kingdom to immediately establish a full, independent, public judicial inquiry into the murder of Northern Ireland defense attorney Pat Finucane, as recommended by international Judge Peter Cory as part of the Weston Park agreement and a way forward for the Northern Ireland Peace Process; to the Committee on International Relations.

By Mr. BISHOP of Utah:

H. Res. 741. A resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 609) to amend and extend the Higher Education Act of 1965.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 11: Mr. JEFFERSON and Mr. DAVIS of Tennessee.

H.R. 23: Mr. SHAYS and Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida.

H.R. 47: Mr. BEAUPREZ.

H.R. 97: Mr. STRICKLAND.

H.R. 115: Mr. SCOTT of Georgia.

H.R. 147: Mr. DAVIS of Kentucky, Mr. POE, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, and Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida.

H.R. 226: Mr. WOLF.

H.R. 282: Mr. TOWNS and Mr. McKEON.

H.R. 284: Mr. BOUCHER.

H.R. 303: Mrs. CAPITO.

H.R. 341: Mr. LAHOOD.

H.R. 354: Mr. CLEAVER.

H.R. 356: Mr. CANNON.

H.R. 363: Mr. GONZALEZ.

H.R. 376: Mr. MOLLOHAN and Mr. COSTA.

H.R. 378: Mr. HONDA and Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas.

H.R. 408: Mr. THOMPSON of California.

H.R. 478: Mr. AL GREEN of Texas.

H.R. 503: Mr. DOGGETT.

H.R. 517: Mr. McKEON, Mr. BOREN, and Mrs. CHRISTENSEN.

H.R. 559: Mr. CONYERS.

H.R. 616: Mr. POMBO.

H.R. 633: Mr. HIGGINS.

H.R. 697: Mr. DOYLE, Mr. FARR, Mr. WYNN, Mrs. WILSON of New Mexico, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. TOWNS, and Mr. LYNCH.

H.R. 699: Mr. LYNCH, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. ROYCE, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. BARROW, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, and Mr. MCGOVERN.

H.R. 735: Mrs. MALONEY.

H.R. 752: Mr. LYNCH and Mr. BLUMENAUER.

H.R. 805: Mr. EMANUEL.

H.R. 807: Mr. LAHOOD.

H.R. 865: Mr. GERLACH.

H.R. 867: Ms. WATSON.

H.R. 881: Mr. MEEHAN.

H.R. 994: Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. JINDAL, and Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina.

H.R. 998: Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. RENZI, Mr. BEAUPREZ, Mr. SALAZAR, and Mrs. MYRICK.

H.R. 1059: Ms. MCKINNEY and Ms. CARSON.

H.R. 1175: Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts.

H.R. 1182: Ms. WATERS.

H.R. 1188: Mr. SCOTT of Virginia.

H.R. 1204: Mr. SIMMONS.

H.R. 1217: Mr. MICHAUD and Mr. ACKERMAN.

H.R. 1227: Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. LUCAS, Mr. SPRATT, and Mr. HUNTER.

H.R. 1241: Mr. LARSON of Connecticut and Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas.

H.R. 1249: Mr. CLEAVER.

H.R. 1298: Mr. McHUGH.

H.R. 1339: Mr. JINDAL.

H.R. 1356: Mr. CLEAVER and Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania.

H.R. 1366: Mr. FILNER and Mr. FEENEY.

H.R. 1408: Mr. KUCINICH.

H.R. 1415: Mrs. CAPPS.

H.R. 1425: Mr. BERMAN.

H.R. 1471: Mr. LAHOOD and Mr. LEWIS of Georgia.

H.R. 1505: Mr. FORD.